

The Chapter Letter



SUNDAY 18 AUGUST - SUNDAY 1 SEPTEMBER

As many of you already know, Tracy Buckby will be leaving her post as COO and Chapter Clerk on 8 September 2024 after 18 months in that role.

I am pleased to announce that from 9 September Isabel Merrifield will be covering the role of COO of the cathedral on an interim basis. Isabel is currently the Interim COO of Southwark Cathedral and has previously been Interim COO of Leicester Cathedral. Prior to these interim roles, Isabel was the Chief Operating Officer of Coventry Cathedral, and she now provides consultancy to a range of third-sector organisations. Isabel will be with us for three days a week to support the cathedral through the period of transition as we welcome Simon as Dean and take the time to identify a permanent replacement as Chief Operating Officer and Chapter Clerk.

I am sure you will join me in welcoming Isabel to the cathedral when she joins us in September.

Separately, Kim Sills, who has served the cathedral as Finance Manager and Chief Financial Officer for nine years, will be leaving for a new role at a different charity at the end of September. We are currently in the process of appointing an Interim CFO to take over her role, and I will make an announcement as soon as these arrangements have been confirmed.

Finally, I am sure we are all looking forward to the arrival of Simon Jones as Dean of Lincoln. He begins the role formally on 14 September, when he will be installed as Dean. The service begins at 3pm however we ask that you be seated by 2.30pm. All are welcome to this service – but we ask that you book a place on Eventbrite to help us predict the quantity of refreshments needed!

O God our beginning and our ending,
we praise you that you give us grace and strength to serve you,
and that you have called your servant Simon
into the fellowship of this Cathedral Foundation.
Grant him such love for you and for your people
that he may take up his cross each day
and follow in the steps of your Son.
May he be so encouraged by his fellowship and unity with us
that he may be a strength to others;
may his prayers combine with ours to come into your presence,
and may your Holy Spirit lead him day by day
until he comes to your everlasting kingdom,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

NICK BROWN, INTERIM DEAN

BIBLE READINGS

Sunday 18 August
Twelfth Sunday After Trinity

Eucharist
Proverbs 9.1-6
Ephesians 5.15-20 John
6.51-58

Evening Prayer Exodus
2.23-3.10 Hebrews
13.1-15

Sunday 25 August
Thirteenth Sunday After Trinity

Eucharist
Joshua 24.1-2a, 14-18
Ephesians 6.10-20
John 6.56-69

Evening Prayer
Exodus 4.27-5.1
Hebrews 13.16-21

Sunday 1 September
Fourteenth Sunday After Trinity

Eucharist
Deuteronomy 4.1-2, 6-9
James 1.17-end
Mark 7.1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Evening Prayer
Exodus 12.21-27
Matthew 4.23-5.20

Worship & Mission

Weekly service schedule

Details of services and music can be viewed on the Cathedral's website. [Click here for more information](#) or visit: www.lincolncathedral.com/orders-of-service/

Special Services

Saturday 24 August, 5.30pm

Festal Evensong for Bartholomew, Apostle

Sunday 8 September

10.30am - Festal Eucharist for the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

3.45pm - Festal Evensong for the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Sunday 15 September, 3pm

Battle of Britain Memorial Service

After hours: Reflective Worship

6.45pm, once a month on a Sunday

15 September - Sacred Space

Enjoy a gentle and reflective space with time to wonder, and the chance to experience the unique atmosphere of the Cathedral as the day draws to a close.

Stillpoint

This is a time of guided silent prayer to be still and aware of the presence of God. We meet in the Ringers Chapel from 8.45am to 9.15am on the following Mondays:

9 September, and **7 October**.

Choral Mattins during the Autumn Term

Our Choral Mattins services will return for the autumn term on the following dates: **22 September**, **13 October**, **17 November**, and **8 December**.

Community

Installation of Revd Canon Dr Simon Jones as Dean of Lincoln

All members of the Cathedral community are invited to attend the installation of the Revd Canon Dr Simon Jones as Dean of Lincoln at 3pm on Saturday 14 September. To help with the planning, please register your attendance by clicking the link below: <https://simonjonesinstallation.eventbrite.co.uk>
Don't worry if you're unable to book: you're still welcome to join us for this significant event in the life of the Cathedral and Diocese.

LCCA supporting The King's Men in Concert

Wednesday 28 August, 7.30pm

Thanks to the LCCA Vice-Chair, Simon Crookall, The King's Men, a close-harmony group formed from the Choral Scholars of the Choir of King's College, Cambridge, is coming to Lincoln Cathedral for a summer concert.

The King's Men will perform in St Hugh's Choir with a programme including a mix of madrigals and close harmony numbers and will be joined by the current King's College, Cambridge organ scholar.

Ticket information can be found by visiting this link:

<https://lincolncathedral.com/events/the-kings-men-at-lincoln/>

To find out more about the King's Men, visit the link below:

www.kingsmencambridge.co.uk

Make your voice heard in the INEQE Independent Safeguarding Audit

INEQE Safeguarding Group has been commissioned to conduct Independent Safeguarding Audits of the Church of England to make sure dioceses and cathedrals are doing all they can to create environments where everyone feels safe, valued and respected. Lincoln Cathedral and the Diocese of Lincoln are currently taking part in this process.

As part of the audit, INEQE wants to engage with those who visit, attend services or worship at the Cathedral through an online survey, and encourage you to share your views and experiences.

INEQE's audit team receive each anonymous result directly - not by the Church of England or the Cathedral directly. The survey is now live and will close at 11.30 pm on Wednesday 25th September 2024.

To access the survey please scan the QR code below or visit: <https://ineqe.com/churchofengland/lincoln/>



Events

Summer Family Fun

Tuesday 6 to Friday 30 August, 10am-3.30pm

We'll have creative crafts for all to enjoy. You can help complete our giant collage of 'Your Favourite Stories', and create costume dolls and story characters to take away. Join us in the North Transept every Wednesday in August at 11am to enjoy peaceful story time.

Exhibition: Conformity and Creativity

Saturday 20 July - Sunday 1 September

Become immersed in the world of the Hunchback of Notre Dame. A selection of the stunning costumes created for The Starring Lincoln Theatre Company's production of Hunchback of Notre Dame are on display in our Discovery Centre.

Nature and architecture tour

Saturday 24 August, 1pm

Join Bruce Hargrave for a nature and architecture tour! Bruce will once again be guiding a tour through places in and around the Cathedral where nature meets the man made world. There will be opportunities to take some amazing pictures as you explore the central tower and the cloisters.

Grand Organ Festival - Peter King

Monday 2 September, 7pm

Join us as we kick off our Grand Organ Festival with the brilliant Peter King! As always, there will be a screen so you can enjoy watching the recitalist in action up in the organ loft and an opportunity to meet the recitalist at the end of the performance.

The Annual Bishop Grosseteste Lecture

Saturday 12 October, 3pm

Join us for the Annual Bishop Grosseteste Lecture: Reflecting on faith, science and philosophy in today's world. Mark Hocknull, Associate Professor in Philosophy in the School of History and Heritage at the University of Lincoln, will speak on living faithfully in the world: 'A human being fully alive' and how to develop a positive faith for today's world.

For more details of forthcoming events and to book your tickets, go to our website at www.lincolncathedral.com/events